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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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OTSG/MEDCOM Policy Memo 04-005

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanders, MEDCOM, Major Subordinate Commands

SUBJECT: Wear of the Leaders Identification Insignia

1. References.

(a) AR 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia, 5 Sep 03.

(b) ALARACT MSG 062/2004 R 240341Z Apr 04.

2. Purpose. This policy memorandum outlines the authority for Soldiers assigned to the United States Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) to wear the Leaders Identification (LI) insignia.

3. Proponent. The proponent for this policy is the Assistant Chief of Staff for Personnel.

4. Policy. The current policy of Combat Arms Soldiers wearing the combat leaders identification insignia on the uniform was expanded to include leaders of Combat Support and Combat Service Support units. This change applies equally to MTO&E and TDA leaders. Leaders will ensure compliance with the following policy change:

(a) Authorize the wear of the LI insignia to all MEDCOM Leaders as follows:

(1) Commanders (e.g., MEDCOM Major Subordinate Command, Medical Center, Hospital, Troop, Company, Clinic, Detachment) with UCMJ authority. Deputy Commanders are not authorized wear of the LI.

(2) Commanders/OICs of separate non-CSL clinics and non-MTF units (see enclosure 1); separate detachments; dental activities (DENTAC); and veterinary branches/sections.

(3) Command Sergeants Major and First Sergeants (e.g., MEDCOM Major Subordinate Command, Medical Center, Hospital, Troop, Company), and Noncommissioned Officers who are the senior enlisted Soldier in an organization where the commander has UCMJ authority or as identified in (2) above.

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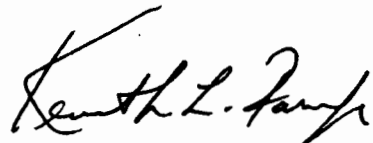
(b) The LI insignia is a green cloth loop, 1-5/8 inches wide, worn in the middle of both shoulder loops on the Army green coat, the cold-weather coat (field jacket) and on the center tab of the extended cold-weather clothing system (Gortex parka). When the LI insignia is worn on the parka, the grade will be centered on the LI. Personnel may wear pin-on grade insignia, or sew on rank insignia on the LI. Personnel will NOT wear the LI insignia when reassigned from a command/leadership position (as designated in para 4a above), or when taking an official photo.

(c) The new policy is in effect upon the leaders' ability to procure the insignias; however, the mandatory wear date of the LI insignia on the uniforms listed in para 4b is NLT 11 September 2004.

5. POC for this action is MAJ Chando at (703) 681-3187.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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